Fire Prevention Commissioner and Deputies Inspect Down Town Congested District.

A thorough inspection of all property in the congested business district, for the discovery and prevention of fire hazards, was begun Thursday morning by a force of state deputies acting under the personal direction of Walter B. Bell, state fire prevention commissioner. The state agents are working in cooperation with Chief Fitzmorris, of the fire departmenty the fire captains and Joseph M. Flynn, who began his duties as city fire prevention inspector the first of the month. Owners of property will be warned of any dangerous conditions.

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"We think if better to fight fires before they occur than afterward." said Commissioner Bell Thursday. "In every city that we inspect we find scores of instances where dangerous conditions exist simply because of carelessness. This is true both as to business houses and private reddences. Trash is allowed to accumulate in back rooms or in basements, which would burst into a blaze if someone drops a match, supposed to have gone out, but still burning, into it.

"I found one old firetrap Wednesday afterboon—an ancient frame building—used as a garage, with wooden floor saturated with oil and grease from the autos, and in the rear, in an old furnace room, an open stove fire, around which men were at work with gasoline for oil cans. Warning has been given the owner, and certainly no insurance can be carried on such a building."

Mayor Paine and Commissioner Edgarhave assured Commissioner Bell of the active co-operation of the city in the crusade-against fire danger. Accompanying Mr. Bell as his deputies from Nashville, are W. S. Anderson and H. K. Conyers, and Carl Larsen, deputy for West Tennessee.

PICK CLARKSDALE MAN FOR YAZOO LEVEE BOARD'PLUM

JACKSON, Miss. Feb. 5. (Spl.)—According to rumor current at the capitol building, Gov. Russell'a choice for the presidency of the Yazoo-Mississipul board of levee commissioners, one of the most luscious political plums within his gift, is Hon. L. C. Franklin. of Clarksdale. former state senator from Coahoms county.

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Mr. Franklin has made several trips to the capital since Gov. Russell was inaugurated, and has held frequent conferences at the executive office.

Political rumor further has it that Mr. Franklin intends to hold the leves board presidency only a year or so, after which he will move to South Mississippl ostensibly to engage in the practice of law, but in reality to establish citizenship in that section before running for governor in 1923.

It has been frequently stated, and not publicly denied, that Mr. Franklin is the choice of the Vardaman-Russell faction for the governorship, and that all of the influence of the present administration will be exerted in his behalf, regardless of who may be entrants in the race three years hence.

These political reports are being viewed with much satisfaction by a very large and aggressive element of delts members in the house who will support the Stillers bill seeking to make members of the levee boards elective by the people. It is expected that the Sillers measure will be up for consideration within the next 10 days.

Armstrong Named Yale Club Head

Walter P. Armstrong, city attorney, Wednesday night was selected as presi-dent of the local Yale club at a meet-ing held at the residence of Arthur Halle. Peabody avenue. Other officers

Stovall, second vice-president; R. A. Young, secretary and treasurer, and Israel Peres and S. W. Farnsworth, executive committee members.

Mr. Armstrong is a member of the class of 1906. Howard Stovall is the Memphis aviator who left Yale to fight in France, where he attained the position of acc.

sition of ace.

Plans for the coming year, which were discussed, call for a number of features. It was suggested that a sinking fund be started with which worthy students from Memphis who enter Yale

Trial Shows Smith Blameless For Death

A charge of manslaughter, preferred against Charles G. Smith, secretary and manager of the Exchange Building commanager of the Exchange Building company, when his automobile ran down and killed Herbert Gilbert, street car conductor, was dismissed in city court Wednesday, when no relatives of the dead man appeared to prosecute the case. The police report of the accident indicated that Smith was not to blame for the accident.

Gilbert was killed as he ran out from East End park to catch his street car, which was starting for town. He ran directly in front of Mr. Smith's car, and received a fractured skull and internal injuries from which he died at the General hospital about ten minutes after his arrival.

TEN SINN FEINERS NABBED

DUNDALK, Ireland, Feb. 5.—Ten arrests were made yesterday in a roundup of persons supposed to be connected
with the Sinn Fela movement. Amons
those arrested were three members of
one family and Michael Carolian, recently elected to the urban district
council from the Shankill division of
Belfast. Carolan was held on a charge
of "unlawful assembly."

PLANNING BODY MEETS.

The regular meeting of the city planning committee will be held Friday at 12:30 o'clock on the sixth floor of the Chamber of Commerce. This is an important meeting and a full attendance in desired.

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DATES; FLU IS CAUSE

The engagement of G. Campbell Mor gan, famous Bible expositor, to conduc a Bible institute in Mumphis beginning Feb. 15, under the auspices of the 3 M. C. A. and the Protestant Pasters' association, was cancelled Thursday morning, when it became avident from the reports of the influenza situation that the restrictions in force would not

that the restrictions in force would not be lifted in sime to properly advertise the meeting, even if the ban were lifted before the date set.

The institute was to have lasted two weeks, and all the Protestant churches were planning to co-operate in the meeting, as a forerunner of the simultaneous realized campaign scheduled to start March 21.

Preparations for the revival campaign are progressing, many of the churches having practically completed their plans. Some of the churches will engage evangelists, but in a number of churches, the special services will be conducted by the pastor.

SEEKS CHILDREN. The whereabouts of sune and Ruth Gill, children of a Mrs. Gill, who dies of flu last winter is sought by the Home service section of the Memphis Bed Cross, 148 Court avenue.

Red Cross officials would like to communicate with some ene who knew the mother or who is acquainted with her children, as some important information awaits them.

Former Mississippi Governor Introduces Bill to Consolidate Jobs.

JACKSON, Miss. Feb. 5. (Sol.)—Ex-loy. E. P. Noel, state senator from dolmes county, introduced his first reasure for the elimination of alleged select offices at Wednesday's session.

and the sheriff and tax collector and county assessor.

In the state campaign last summer ex-Gov. Noel made his canvass on a platform advocating the curtailment of state offices and departments of state sovernment, and quite a number of measures with this end in view have been introduced in both bodies, but thus far none have received favorable consideration except the house bill abeliahing the state board of nardons.

The Noel plan to combine four of the principal county offices into two offices is not likely to meet with much favor amount the members, for it was rather conclusively shown during the house sitting yesterday when the county sulary bill was under consideration that these county officers, have considerable influence with the lawmakers from their respective counties.

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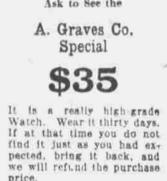
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